



Tax Administration at the Centennial: An IRS-TPC Research Conference Urban Institute, 2100 M Street, N.W., Washington, DC • June 20, 2013 DRAFT Program

8:30 – 9:00 Check-in

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome and Introductions

Eric Toder (Co-Director, Tax Policy Center) and

Rosemary Marcuss (Director, IRS Office of Research, Analysis, and Statistics)

9:15 – 10:45 **Session 1: Individual Income Tax Dynamics**

Moderator: *Elaine Maag* (*Tax Policy Center*)

- Older Taxpayers' Responses to Taxation of Social Security Benefits
 Len Burman and Liu Tian (Syracuse University), Norma Coe (University of Washington), and Kevin Pierce (IRS:RAS)
- Preparer Industry Dynamics and the Return Preparer Initiative Pat Langetieg, Mark Payne and Melissa Vigil (IRS: RAS)
- Changes in EITC Eligibility and Participation, 2005-2009
 Maggie R. Jones (Census Bureau)

Discussant: **Dayanand Manoli** (University of Texas)

10:45 - 11:00 Break

11:00 – 12:30 Session 2: Business Compliance Behavior

Moderator: *Eric Toder* (*Tax Policy Center*)

 Factors Influencing Voluntary Compliance by Small Businesses: Preliminary Survey Results

Tom Beers, Eric LoPresti, and Eric San Juan (IRS:Taxpayer Advocate Service)

- Transfer Pricing: Strategies, Practices, and Tax Minimization
 Kenneth Klassen (University of Waterloo, Canada), Petro Lisowsky (University of Illinois), and Devan Mescall (University of Saskatchawan, Canada)
- Demand for Aggressive Tax Planning

Peter Bickers, Michael Slyuzberg, Tracey Lloyd, and Bhaskaran Nair (Inland Revenue, New Zealand)

Discussant: Amy Dunbar (University of Connecticut)

12:30 – 1:30 **Keynote Speaker** *Michael Durst* (Senior Counsel, Steptoe and Johnson LLP)

1:30 – 3:00 Session 3: Corporation Income Tax Enforcement

Moderator: TBD

 Analysis of Ten-Year Trends in Large Business Examination Results (2001-2011)

Dave Macias and Kimmy Wang (IRS: LB&I)

 The Impact of Legal Enforcement: An Analysis of Corporate Tax Aggressiveness After an Audit

Jason DeBacker (Middle Tennessee State University), Bradley Heim and Anh Tran (Indiana University), and **Alexander Yuskavage** (U.S. Treasury: Office of Tax Analysis)

IRS Enforcement and State Corporation Income Tax Revenues

Margot Howard (University of North Carolina)

<u>Discussants</u>: **Jonathan Feinstein** (Yale University) and **Brian Erard** (B. Erard & Associates)

3:00 – 3:15 Break

3:15 – 4:45 Session 4: Lessons From Other Tax Administrations

Moderator: TBD

 Why Evasion Under a National Sales Tax Would Explode the Tax Gap: Lessons Learned from the States

Cary Christian (Georgia Southern University)

- The Influence of Tax Form Design on Use Tax Compliance
 David Merriman (University of Illinois), and Natalie Davila and Hector M.
 Vielma (Illinois Department of Revenue)
- Filling in the Black Hole: Research and Evaluation into the Hidden Economy Alice Cleland (Inland Revenue, New Zealand)

Discussant: Alan Plumley (IRS:RAS)

4:45-5:00 Wrap-up

Janice Hedemann (Conference Chair, IRS:RAS)

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